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SUBJECT: Correction – WIC-38, Risk Code 114 and CH-9W and CH-10W: Birth to 36 Months Growth Charts

It has been brought to our attention that there are errors on the WIC-38, Child Participant Form and the Birth to 36 Months growth charts for both boys and girls. Please note the following corrections:

WIC-38 - Risk Code 114, At Risk of Becoming Overweight, applies to all children. The definition should read: For children 24 months or older – Greater than or equal to 85th and less than 95th percentile BMI. **For children 12 months or older** – Having a biological parent who is obese (BMI greater than or equal to 30) at the time of certification (if mother is pregnant or has had a baby within the past 6 months, use her preconceptional weight to assess obesity).

Growth charts - Please note that the **age scale on the Birth to 36 Months** growth charts for both boys and girls has an error – 16 months should read 15 months. Please correct the charts to read 15 months and plot accordingly. This applies to length-for-age and weight-for-age percentiles and head circumference.

These errors will be corrected for subsequent reprints. If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Isabel Clark, Clinical Nutrition Specialist, Bureau of Nutrition Services, at Isabel.Clark@tdh.state.tx.us or 512-458-711, ext. 3489.